



Society this week has been extremely quiet and there is nothing going on just at present, most of the housekeepers being engaged in those important domestic duties which the spring season brings with it.

Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Smith, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Everett, and Mrs. N. D. Hooper went to St. Andrews this week to attend the funeral of Mrs. A. W. Smith.

Mr. A. E. Keith of Havick spent a day or two with friends in the city.

Mrs. A. C. Gorham is paying a three weeks' visit to her uncle Mr. Norman Henderson of Wallace Bay, N. S.

Mrs. Timmerman entertained at a small but pleasant tea last Friday at which she was assisted by Mrs. Gardiner Taylor, Mrs. Fred Bayre, Miss Lollie Harrison. Among the guests were: Countess deBury, Mrs. Robert Thomson, Mrs. Busby, Mrs. Keator, Mrs. (Dr.) Skinner, Mrs. Dever, Mrs. White, Quebec, Mrs. D. P. Chisholm, Mrs. E. T. Strudger, Mrs. W. F. Harrison, Mrs. J. H. Harding, Miss Allison Jones, Miss Jones, Boston.

Mrs. Hutchinson and Miss Hutchinson of Miramichi are spending a few days in the city.

Mrs. F. W. Sumner of Moncton made a short stay in the city this week.

Rev. L. G. MacNeill is back from Clifton Springs, greatly improved, though not by any means fully restored to his usual health.

Mrs. John A. Boves went to Fredericton Thursday for a short visit to friends.

Mr. and Mrs. George K. Taylor of Los Angeles arrived this week to spend the summer with Mr. Taylor's parents in the West end.

Mrs. deWolfe Spurr returned to the city this week after a very pleasant visit to Mrs. Ketchum of Fredericton. Miss Spurr was among the St. John people present at the government house at Home.

Mrs. J. S. Smith who has been visiting her daughter Mrs. J. S. Frost left this week for her home in Clinton, Connecticut.

Mrs. Sprague who spent several days pleasantly with city friends has gone to her home in Fredericton.

Miss Flewelling has been staying in Fredericton for the large At Home given there this week and at which a large number of St. John people were present.

Mrs. Edward Wood has returned to St. Stephen after a brief stay of three days with city friends.

Miss Winifred Dick of St. George is spending a little while in the city.

Miss Alice Fitch of Marlboro Mass., is spending a month with West End friends.

The sad death of Fred Marvin Jr., of Douglas Avenue N. E., last week has caused a great deal of sincere regret among the younger population of that end of town among whom he was deservedly popular. Deceased was a son of Mr. F. E. Marvin superintendent of the Maritime Nail Works Co. Ltd, and had not been well for fully six months, his ailment developing finally into consumption in one of its worst forms. Before the final stages of the dread disease had asserted itself there were hopes, that Fred would overcome his frail state of health, but such hopes were short lived. On Sunday last his funeral was very largely attended, several hundred youthful friends paying their last sad respects to his memory, as well as a representative body of citizens in all walks of life. Rev. J. A. Gordon conducted the funeral services and interment took place in Cedar Hill cemetery. Messrs. Jarvis Purdy, Charles Cowan, Fred Elkin, Ned Sears, L. Sprague, and Chas. W. Cowan acted as pall bearers. Among the very beautiful floral tributes placed about the remains were the following:—A crescent from H. Nelson, J. Purdy, E. Sprague and H. Carman; crescent, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Robins; and anchor from W. M. A. of Main street church, basket from Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Elkin, large wreath and pillow from the Maritime Nail Works; wreath from Mrs. W. H. White; bouquet from E. D. N. Sears; a large bouquet from Miss Edith Chesley; a bouquet from the ushers of Main street church; basket of flowers from Mrs. Fred Miles; bouquet from a "Friend"; bouquet from Mr. and Mrs. George Beverly; and a crescent from the attending physicians Drs. W. F. Roberts and McInerney.

Miss Katie Greaney of Pitt Street who has spent the past four or five weeks very pleasantly in Montreal is expected home this week.

Miss Ethel Johnson of Wolfville N. S. who has been visiting Miss Lovett Princess street returned to N. S. by Prince Rupert on Monday.

Mr. J. R. Stone paid a brief visit to Halifax this week.

Mr. P. Coleman was called from Lynn, Mass., this week to attend the funeral of his father Mr. Robert Coleman which took place on Wednesday.

Mr. A. M. Bauld who was here for a little while this week has returned to Halifax.

The Excelsior missionary circle of Queen Square Methodist church held a very successful tea and sale in the school room on Wednesday evening. The affair was most successfully managed by the following young ladies, and a good programme of music-

was furnished by the orchestra connected with the church. Miss Maud Weddall, Miss Bogart, Miss Carnall, Miss Robertson, Miss McLean, Miss Taylor, Miss Law, Miss Craig, Miss Lawson, Miss Hawker and Miss Robertson.

The Anacosta, Montana, Standard has the following account of a wedding which took place in Missoula, on Wednesday April 19.

At the residence of C. E. Beckwith at 8 o'clock this evening, George B. McLeod and Miss Emma H. Beckwith were married by Rev. C. H. Lively of the Church of the Holy Spirit, only the immediate friends of the contracting parties being present. The home of Mr. and Mrs. McLeod will be in Bonner. They have the good wish of hosts of friends all over Montana.—Anacosta (Mon.) Standard.

The groom is a son of H. D. McLeod of the savings bank department. The bride is also a native of this province. One other sister is married to a brother of S. H. McLeod, the well known St. John insurance man, and another to John H. Keith, a Kings county man, who also lives in Missoula.

Mr. J. Kaye Allison of the Bank of British North America left Thursday for Rossland having been transferred to the Bank of British North America in that city. Mr. R. L. Ellis of Fredericton will fill the vacancy in the branch here caused by Mr. Kaye's departure. Mr. Kaye was a general favorite with those who met him either in his business capacity or a social way and his removal has caused much regret.

Miss Pauline Baird is spending a few weeks with relatives in Truro.

Mr. Charles G. Brown left a few days ago on a visit to Montreal.

Mrs. Joseph Finley and Mrs. Frank White returned last Saturday from a very delightful trip to the West Indies.

Mr. James Berry formerly city editor of the Sun, left last Saturday for Montana in which distant state he and his family will make their future home. A large party of friends assembled at the depot to bid them farewell.

An interesting concert took place in St. Jude's Sunday school room on Wednesday evening at which the following interesting programme was rendered: Piano duet; tableaux: A Story of the past, Mr. Drowley, Mary Drowley, Ethel Bayard, Jennie Anderson, Emily McDuffie; song, Mr. McCosley; a spelling match; vocal duet; tableaux, The Oracle of the Tea Cup, E. Bayard, K. Anderson, S. Bayard; reading, Miss Brown; tableaux The Village Choir, Mr. Drowley, A. Appleby, W. McDuffie, J. Robson; male quartet, Kentucky, Mr. McCosley, A. Coster, Miss J. Connor; tableaux, In Charge, Lucy Coster; tableaux, Her Character, Mrs. Appleby, E. Trueman, Miss Spike; violin solo Master Knight; reading, Miss Brown; quartette, Juvenile; tableaux, North, East, West, South, Mrs. Appleby, S. Bayard, W. Duffy, M. Dunham; God Save the Queen.

Captain Hamlin of Lancaster left Thursday on a trip to Boston. He was accompanied by his little granddaughter Miss Mary Carr.

Miss Florence White has returned to Shediac after a very pleasant visit to this city as the guest of Mrs. R. Jardine.

Mr. and Mrs. T. P. Regan have returned from a very pleasant visit to New York.

The marriage of Mr. E. L. Bear, and Miss Bell Dunlop takes place today at the residence of the brides parents. Mr. Bear arrived on Wednesday from Kasil B. C.

Senator Stowball was in the city for a day or two lately on his way home from Ottawa.

Says the Toronto Mail and Empire of a recent date: Lady Tilley who has been a much-feeted visitor in town during the past two weeks, leaves next Wednesday to visit friends in London and Woodstock, and will go on later to Ottawa.

Messrs. William Giggey, Albert Palmer and Henry Conwell returned last Saturday from a most successful fishing trip to the Nerepis.

A very enjoyable concert was the one held by the Sons of England in their new hall on Wednesday evening. The patronage extended was good and the following programme was very finely rendered:—Solo, Red, White and Blue, by Mr. Calvert; reading, Miss Ethel Duffie; instrumental selection, Mr. Stokes; recitation, Miss Daisy Sears; solo, My Little Woman, W. Tremaine Gard; gramophone, Mr. L. Thorn; solos, by Mr. D. W. Pilkington and Miss Kitch; recitation, Miss Shaw and Master Shaw; solo, Mr. Noakes; instrumental selection Miss Calvert; solo, Miss Lucy Yonge; duet, Mrs. Golding and Mr. Rogers; solo, Mr. Knot; gramophone, Mr. Thorne; solos, Mrs. Golding, Mr. Rogers and Mr. Bangury; specialties by DeWitt Kearns and F. McNeill; God Save the Queen.

Mr. J. E. McIntyre who has been here for some time in connection with the construction of the new C. P. R. elevator returned this week to his home in Ottawa.

Mr. W. A. Kimball of Portland Me., was here this week for a day or two.

Mayor Sears returned the middle of the week from a trip to Fredericton.

Bishop Kingdon and Mrs. Kingdon who were in the city for a little while returned Tuesday to the capital.

Friends of W. E. Raymond will be glad to hear that he is rapidly recovering his health.

Mr. George F. Baird's condition still causes much anxiety to his friends, though it is hoped his removal to the homestead at Long Island which was made this week will effect a favorable change.

The marriage took place at the Cathedral on Wednesday morning of Mr. Nelson Johnston and Miss Josephine Gauvin, Rev. Father McMurray officiating in the ceremony which united the young couple for life. The bridal party was attended by Miss Mary Gauvin and Mr. Alfred Gauvin. After the ceremony a wedding luncheon was served at the late home of the bride.

Mr. W. H. Trewartha-James left early in the week for his home in London, England but expects to return later to St. John.

Mr. W. D. McEvoy's condition is so much improved as to permit of a short drive daily.

Miss Nanette Black leaves today for a visit to Halifax. She will be absent three or four weeks.

Mr. Alexander Winchester and Miss Douglas,

daughter of Mr. Robert Douglas, were united in marriage on Wednesday evening by Rev. J. Shenton, in the presence of many relatives and friends. Miss Maud Swanton attended the bride and Mr. F. D. Munro supported the groom. Mr. and Mrs. Winchester will take up their residence on Waterloo street.

Mrs. A. E. Prince returned last week from a pleasant visit to her aunt Mrs. Byers of Springhill, N. S. Mr. and Mrs. Prince will shortly take up housekeeping on Princess street.

FREDERICTON.

(Progress is for sale in Fredericton by W. T. H. FREDERICTON, APR. 29.—The House of Parliament presented a brilliant and festive scene on Friday evening on the occasion of the At Home given by the members of the provincial government and legislature and their ladies and was quite the most brilliant function of the season. The host and hostess of the occasion were Premier and Mrs. Emerson, Attorney General and Mrs. White, Hon. L. P. and Mrs. Farris, Provincial Secretary and Mrs. Tweedie, Hon. C. H. and Mrs. Labllois, Mr. and Mrs. John O'Brien, and Hon. A. T. Dunn. They received their guests in the assembly chamber standing in front of the throne, which had been converted into a veritable bower and was gorgeous with its magnificent decorations of blooming plants and cut flowers. The magnificent equipment of the assembly chamber together with its handsome and floral decorations, the beautiful and costly costumes of the ladies, the bright and sparkling faces of the many young debutantes, coupled with the mere quiet dress suits of the gentlemen with just a sprinkling of the brilliant and gorgeous uniforms of the military under the bright glare of the gaslight combined to make a lovely picture which will hang on memory's walls for many a day. The supreme court room was reserved for dancing where Offen's orchestra furnished excellent music. The band of the 71st Batt. provided music for those who danced in the assembly chamber. Those who did not dance amused themselves playing whist or promenading.

The telegraph office was transformed into a delightful refreshment booth where ice cream and cooling drinks were served to the guests all evening and about midnight the library was opened, and a sumptuous supper was served. The long table extending the full length of the room was prettily decorated, garlands of smilax running all around the edges while beautiful baskets of carnations adorned the centre from one end to the other. The large bay window at the east end of the library being a perfect bower of beauty. It was quite two o'clock before the last of the guests departed.

Some very pretty costumes were aired for the first time.

Mrs. Emerson, received in black satin, jet trimmings and pink roses.

Mrs. Tweedie, yellow brocade satin, pearl and lace trimmings, cream roses.

Mrs. Osman, white brocade silk, chiffon trimmings, pink roses.

Mrs. La Billois, black satin, pink satin and jet trimmings, pearl ornaments.

Mrs. O'Brien white satin, pearl and lace trimmings, pearl ornaments.

Mrs. McClellan, black silk and lace.

Mrs. Landry, grey silk, white silk, carnations.

Mrs. Carvell, black grenadin, over black satin, pink carnations.

Mrs. R. M. Belyes, black grenadine over green satin, natural flowers.

Mrs. Hilyard, pink and gold brocade satin, hand bouquet of roses, diamond ornaments.

Mrs. Jeremy Taylor, flowered organdie.

Mrs. Atherton, black satin, point d'Alecon lace diamonds.

Mrs. T. A. Peters, black satin and lace.

Mrs. W. T. White, black satin, with bodice of pink and black chiffon, Medici collar.

Mrs. Alex Gibson, black silk with corsage of yellow silk and chiffon.

Mrs. J. E. Colter, black silk and lace.

Mrs. B. W. Z. Tibbits, pink and cream striped silk.

Mrs. Archie Tibbits, gold and cream brocade with duchess lace and white chiffon.

Mrs. Jas. Tibbits, Andover, black silk and lace.

Mrs. G. H. Babbitt, black satin and white satin trimmings.

Miss Babbitt, black net over black satin.

Miss Carrie Babbitt, pale blue silk.

Mrs. H. V. B. Bridges, cream satin and white lace overdress.

Mrs. Bailey, black satin with lace and crimson flowers.

Miss Bailey, pink silk and pearl trimmings.

Mrs. West, yellow silk and chiffon.

Miss Hilyard, brocade taffeta with chiffon and roses.

Miss Lowell, Calais, white organdie.

Mrs. A. J. Gregory, black satin and lace natural flowers.

Mrs. A. G. Cowie, pale green silk with green velvet trimmings.

Mrs. J. A. Edwards, black satin and lace.

Mrs. A. J. Gross, black lace and flowers.

Miss Elva Randolph, white muslin with valencienne lace.

Mrs. G. Y. Dibbles, crimson silk with overdress of black gauze.

Miss Crookshank, salmon pink satin, with sequins and pink trimmings.

Miss Phinney, blue satin, cream lace and white carnations.

Mrs. W. P. Flewelling, black satin with cream silk cream bead gimp.

Mrs. Clifton Tabor, black velvet and jet.

Miss Agnes Tabor, mauve silk.

Mrs. Miller, black satin.

Miss Maggie Dever, black satin, with yellow silk and black lace.

Mrs. P. J. Phelan, buttercup yellow muslin with cerise and pearl trimmings.

Miss Seery, white satin, with pearl trimmings and white roses.

Mrs. Loggie, yellow silk with heliotrope velvet trimmings.

Miss Lillian Beckwith, black net and natural flowers.

Miss Blair, Ottawa, pale blue satin, with honiton lace and roses.

Mrs. Duffy, black silk, jet and natural flowers.

Mrs. J. M. Wiley, black brocade satin and yellow chiffon.

Miss Wiley, white organdie, over white silk, pink roses.

Mrs. Norton Taylor, black and pink striped silk jet and natural flowers.

Mrs. F. P. Thompson, black silk and lace.

Miss Sadie Thompson, lawn silk and pink satin.

Mrs. Geo. M. Downing, pink silk.

Mrs. T. B. Winslow, black velvet and jet.

Mrs. J. B. Cudlip, black satin and lace.

Miss Sherman, black velvet and natural flowers.

Miss Stella Sherman, pink silk.

Miss Rainsford, red crepon, white carnations.

Miss Eleanor Rainsford, white muslin, natural flowers.

Mrs. Mitchell, white moussine de soie over white tulle.

Miss McFarlane, St. John, figured muslin.

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